

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1 1. (Currently amended) A method of using a computer system for generating a delta
2 price relative to a base price of a configuration of features, the method comprising:
3 generating a delta price following modification of the configuration by changing a
4 number of the features in the configuration, wherein the modification of the
5 configuration results in a price change of the configuration and the delta price
6 comprises a difference between the base price and the base price adjusted by the
7 price change; and
8 generating a ~~final~~ modified price using ~~said the~~ delta price and the base price; and
9 providing the modified price and the delta price to a computer system of a user to indicate
10 to the user a pricing impact associated with the modification of the configuration.

1 2. (Currently amended) The method of claim 1, further comprising
2 generating ~~[[a]]~~ the base price of the configuration; and
3 generating ~~said a~~ final price of the configuration using ~~said the~~ base price and said the
4 delta price.

1 3. (Currently amended) The method of claim 2, wherein ~~said price is a base price~~
2 generating the final price of the configuration comprises adjusting the base price by the delta
3 price.

1 4. (Currently amended) The method of claim 2, further comprising:
2 receiving a selection of an additional feature, wherein:
3 the modification of the configuration comprises adding the additional feature to
4 the configuration;
5 said the final price is associated with a product;
6 the configuration of features represents the product, and
7 said the delta price is generated in response to ~~[[a]]~~ the selection of ~~[[a]]~~ the
8 additional feature for ~~said the~~ product.

1 5. (Currently amended) The method of claim 2, further comprising:
2 receiving a selection removing a feature from the configuration of features, wherein
3 the modification of the configuration comprises removing the feature from the
4 configuration;
5 said the final price is associated with a product;
6 the configuration of features represents the product, and
7 said the final price is generated in response to [[a]] the selection of a removing the feature
8 for from said the product.

1 6. (Currently amended) The method of claim 2, wherein
2 the computer system of the user is a client computer system;
3 said the delta price is generated by a server computer system,
4 said the delta price is generated in response to a selection of a feature at [[a]] the client
5 computer system, and
6 said the client computer system is communicatively coupled to said the server computer
7 system.

1 7. (Currently amended) The method of claim 6, ~~wherein~~ further comprising:
2 providing the final price to the client computer system for display by the client computer
3 system,
4 ~~said final price is displayed by said client in response to said selection of said feature.~~

1 8. (Currently amended) The method of claim 2, wherein
2 said the base price is generated in response to a selection of a first item, and
3 said the delta price is generated in response to a selection of a second item.

1 9. (Currently amended) The method of claim 8, wherein
2 said the first and said second items are products item is a product; and
3 the second item is a feature of the product.

10. (Currently amended) The method of claim 8, wherein
~~said the first and said second items are services~~ item is a service; and
the second item is a feature of the service.

11. (Currently amended) The method of claim [[2]] 1 wherein the configuration of
features represents a first configuration, generating a delta price comprises generating a first
delta price, and generating a modified price comprises generating a first modified price, the
method further comprising:
generating ~~another~~ a second delta price following a modification of the first configuration
by changing a number of the features in the first configuration, wherein the
modification of the first configuration results in a price change of the first
configuration and the second delta price comprises a difference between the base
price and the base price adjusted by the price change of the first configuration;
and
generating ~~another final price~~ a second modified price using said the base price and said
another the second delta price; and
providing the second modified price and the second delta price to the computer system of
the user to indicate to the user a pricing impact associated with the modification
of the first configuration.

12. (Currently amended) The method of claim 11, wherein
the computer system of the user is a client computer system;
said the first delta price and said the ~~another~~ second delta price are generated by a server
computer system; [[,]]
said the first delta price is generated in response to a first selection of a first feature at
[[a]] the client computer system; [[,]]
said the ~~another~~ second delta price is generated in response to a second selection of a
second feature at said the client computer system; [[,]] and
said the client computer system is communicatively coupled to said the server computer
system.

1 13. (Currently amended) The method of claim 12, ~~wherein further comprising:~~
2 generating a final price of the second configuration using the base price and the second
3 delta price; and
4 providing the final price to the client computer system for display by the client computer
5 system to allow comparison between the final price and the first modified price.
6 ~~said final price and said another final price are displayed by said client in response to said~~
7 ~~selections of said first and said second features, allowing comparison between~~
8 ~~said final price and said another final price.~~

1 14. - 52. (Canceled).

1 53. (New) The method of claim 1 further comprising:
2 wherein the modification of the configuration comprises adding an additional feature to
3 the configuration.

1 54. (New) The method of claim 53 wherein modification of the configuration further
2 comprises adding multiple features to the configuration.

1 55. (New) The method of claim 53 wherein modification of the configuration further
2 comprises adding multiple features to the configuration and removing at least one of the features
3 of the configuration.

1 56. (New) The method of claim 1 wherein the modification of the configuration
2 comprises removing one of the features of the configuration.

1 57. (New) The method of claim 1 wherein a unique feature is a feature not common
2 to both the modification of the configuration and the configuration of features, each unique
3 feature has an individual price, and the price change does not equal an aggregate of each
4 individual price for each unique feature.

1 58. (New) A computer program product comprising code for generating a delta price
2 relative to a base price of a configuration of features, wherein the code is executable by a
3 processor of a computer system, wherein when executed by the process the code causes the
4 computer system to:

5 generate a delta price following modification of the configuration of features by changing
6 a number of the features in the configuration, wherein the modification of the
7 configuration results in a price change of the configuration and the delta price
8 comprises a difference between the base price and the base price adjusted by the
9 price change;

10 generate a modified price using the delta price and the base price; and

11 provide the modified price and the delta price to a computer system of a user to indicate
12 to the user a pricing impact associated with the modification of the configuration.

1 59. (New) The computer program product of claim 58 wherein the code further
2 causes the computer system to:

3 generate the base price of the configuration; and

4 generate a final price of the configuration using the base price and the delta price.

1 60. (New) The computer program product of claim 59, wherein to generate the final
2 price of the configuration comprises adjusting the base price by the delta price.

1 61. (New) The computer program product of claim 59 wherein the code further
2 causes the computer system to:

3 receive a selection of an additional feature, wherein

4 the modification of the configuration comprises adding the additional feature to
5 the configuration;

6 the final price is associated with a product;

7 the configuration of features represents the product, and

8 the delta price is generated in response to the selection of the additional feature
9 for-the product.

1 62. (New) The computer program product of claim 59 wherein the code further
2 causes the computer system to:
3 receive a selection removing a feature from the configuration of features, wherein
4 the modification of the configuration comprises removing the feature from the
5 configuration;
6 the final price is associated with a product;
7 the configuration of features represents the product, and
8 the final price is generated in response to the selection removing the feature from
9 the product.

1 63. (New) The computer program product of claim 59-wherein the code further
2 causes the computer system to:
3 provide the final price to the computer system of the user for display by the computer
4 system of the user.

1 64. (New) The computer program product of claim 59, wherein
2 the base price is generated in response to a selection of a first item, and
3 the delta price is generated in response to a selection of a second item.

1 65. (New) The computer program product of claim 64, wherein
2 the first item is a product; and
3 the second item is a feature of the product.

1 66. (New) The computer program product of claim 64, wherein
2 the first item is a service; and
3 the second item is a feature of the service.

1 67. (New) The computer program product of claim 58 wherein the configuration of
2 features represents a first configuration, the code to generate a delta price comprises code to
3 generate a first delta price, and the code to generate a modified price comprises code to generate
4 a first modified price, the computer program product further comprising code to:

5 generate a second delta price following a modification of the first configuration by
6 changing a number of the features in the first configuration, wherein the
7 modification of the first configuration results in a price change of the first
8 configuration and the second delta price comprises a difference between the base
9 price and the base price adjusted by the price change of the first configuration;
10 generate a second modified price using the base price and the second delta price; and
11 provide the second modified price and the second delta price to the computer system of
12 the user to indicate to the user a pricing impact associated with the modification
13 of the first configuration.

1 68. (New) The computer program product of claim 67, wherein
2 the first delta price is generated in response to a first selection of a first feature; and
3 the second delta price is generated in response to a second selection of a second feature..

1 69. (New) The computer program product of claim 59-the computer program product
2 further comprising code to:

3 generate a final price of the second configuration using the base price and the second
4 delta price; and
5 provide the final price to the client computer system for display by the client computer.

1 70. (New) The computer program product of claim 58 wherein the modification of
2 the configuration comprises adding an additional feature to the configuration.

1 71. (New) The computer program product of claim 58 wherein modification of the
2 configuration further comprises adding multiple features to the configuration.

1 72. (New) The computer program product of claim 58 wherein modification of the
2 configuration further comprises adding multiple features to the configuration and removing at
3 least one of the features of the configuration.

1 73. (New) The computer program product of claim 72 wherein the modification of
2 the configuration comprises removing one of the features of the configuration.

1 74. (New) The computer program product of claim 72 wherein a unique feature is a
2 feature not common to both the modification of the configuration and the configuration of
3 features, each unique feature has an individual price, and the price change does not equal an
4 aggregate of each individual price for each unique feature.

1 75. (New) An apparatus for generating a delta price relative to a base price of a
2 configuration of features, the apparatus comprising:
3 means for generating a delta price following modification of the configuration of features
4 by changing a number of the features in the configuration, wherein the
5 modification of the configuration results in a price change of the configuration
6 and the delta price comprises a difference between the base price and the base
7 price adjusted by the price change;
8 means for generating a modified price using the delta price and the base price; and
9 means for providing the modified price and the delta price to a computer system of a user
10 to indicate to the user a pricing impact associated with the modification of the
11 configuration.